

TOWN OF ACTON
COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD MEETING

Acton Senior Center-Audubon Drive

DATE: April 6, 2015 @ 3:00 P.M.

Present: Barbara Willson, Chair; Ann Corcoran, Secretary; Peter Duran; Ellen Feinsand; Bonnie Lobel; Marion Maxwell; Rosanne Stone; Sally Thompson, Treasurer; Paul Turner; Sharon Mercurio, Director;

Absent: Jacquie Friedman; Charlie Aaronson, Liaison Minuteman Senior Services; Norma Wu, Liaison Friends of COA; Franny Osman, Liaison BOS

Materials distributed:

Director's March report - Sharon Mercurio

March Minutes - Ann Corcoran

Treasurer's Report- Sally Thompson

Call to Order: Barbara Willson

Meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Minutes of March 2, 2015: Ann Corcoran

After minor corrections the minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Director's Report: Sharon Mercurio

Sharon shared details and highlights of her report. See attachment.

Sharon noted the excellent St. Patrick's Day luncheon put on for the seniors by the Acton Lions Club. There were approximately 100 attendees.

Treasurer's Report: Sharon presented the Treasurer's report for Sally

The many issues around the cost and mailing of the newsletter will be addressed by utilizing a vendor in Seeconk that will handle the production from content printing to mailing completed newsletters. (the costs may be less in the long run, deadline for content is earlier in month)

Announcements:

1.COA newsletter. To keep seniors informed of current issues and activities of the Board, Barbara has been submitting information for inclusion in the newsletter when space is available. The March newsletter contained a tribute to Steve Baran, deceased Board member

2. The Virtual Village Presentation will take place on June 22nd as an informational program. Ellen Feinsand will create a program strategy. June meeting will be moved to June 22 from June 1.

Old Business:

1. The proposed survey that had been discussed for inclusion in next January's town census was revisited. Survey for inclusion in town's census will be discussed at next meeting.

2 Senior Tax Relief Proposal - Barbara reminded the board that a new proposal for senior tax relief will be on the Town Warrant and voted on at Town meeting tonight.

3. Barbara will send a schedule of Emmett's future workshops on COA issues.

4. Barbara expressed thanks to Marion for her thoughtful gesture of a gift of Tulips to Marylou at the reception for her as she left the COA to assume a position with the Town's Recreation Department.

5. Marion and Peter commented on the excellent website created by Judy that shares the Center's activities.

Liaison Reports:

Ann reported Acton 2020 is continuing to find ways to support other Boards in Town that are working with the goals as stated in the 2020 plan. Liaisons to other Boards have been established in order to help the 2020 Committee understand and support the efforts of the many diverse Boards and Committees in Town.

New Business:

1. Sharon passed out the current COA brochure, which needs updating. Sudbury's COA brochure was discussed. Sharon will communicate with Minuteman Technical High School to discuss their brochure and attempt to develop a new, more colorful brochure.

Next Meeting:

Monday, May 4, 2015 at 3:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Corcoran

